

~~(A)~~ styrene-acrylonitrile copolymer, characterized in that the] said impact additive [comprises from] comprising:

a) 70 % to 90 % by weight of a crosslinked elastomeric core [which is composed;] composed:

1) of 20 % to less than 100 % by weight of a nucleus composed of a copolymer (I) of an n-alkyl acrylate, the alkyl group [of which has] having a carbon number ranging from 5 to 12, of a polyfunctional crosslinking agent possessing unsaturated groups in its molecule, at least one of which is [of] a vinyl group and optionally of a polyfunctional grafting agent possessing unsaturated groups in its molecule, at least one of which is an allyl group,

2) of not more than 80 % by weight, of a covering composed of a copolymer (II) of n-alkyl acrylate, the alkyl group of which has a carbon number ranging from 4 to 12, or of a grafting agent possessing allyl groups, the said covering containing a molar amount of grafting agent ranging from 0.05 % to 2.5 %, said grafting agent having only allyl functional groups, all having the same reactivity and,

b) 30 % to 10 % by weight of a shell grafted onto the said core composed of a polymer of an alkyl methacrylate, the alkyl group of which has a carbon number ranging from 1 to 4, or alternatively of a statistical copolymer of an alkyl methacrylate, the alkyl group of which has a carbon number ranging from 1 to 4, and of an alkyl acrylate, the alkyl group of which has a carbon number ranging from 1 to 8, containing a molar amount of alkyl acrylate ranging from 5 % to 40 %, or alternatively composed of a styrene-acrylonitrile copolymer.

~~(B)~~ 28. (Twice Amended) A thermoplastic polymer composition containing a core/shell impact additive [of the core/shell type composed of a core based on alkyl acrylate or on a polyorganosiloxane rubber and a shell based on poly(alkyl methacrylate), or on a styrene-acrylonitrile copolymer, characterized in that the] said impact additive [comprises from] comprising:

a) 70 % to 90 % by weight of a crosslinked elastomeric core which is composed;

1) of 20 % to less than 100 % by weight of a nucleus composed of a copolymer (I) of an n-alkyl acrylate, the alkyl group of which has a carbon number ranging

(62) from 5 to 12, of a polyfunctional crosslinking agent possessing unsaturated groups in its molecule, at least one of which is of a vinyl group, and optionally of a polyfunctional grafting agent possessing unsaturated groups in its molecule, at least one of which is an allyl group,

2) of an amount above 0%, but not more than 80 % by weight, of a covering composed of a copolymer (II) of n-alkyl acrylate, the alkyl group of which has a carbon number ranging from 4 to 12, or of a grafting agent possessing allyl groups, the said covering containing a molar amount of grafting agent ranging from 0.05 % to 2.5 %, said grafting agent having only allyl functional groups, all having the same reactivity,

(C 2) Cncl b) 30 % to 10 % by weight of a shell grafted onto the said core composed of a polymer of an alkyl methacrylate, the alkyl group of which has a carbon number ranging from 1 to 4, or alternatively of a statistical copolymer of an alkyl methacrylate, the alkyl group of which has a carbon number ranging from 1 to 4, and of an alkyl acrylate, the alkyl group of which has a carbon number ranging from 1 to 8, containing a molar amount of alkyl acrylate ranging from 5 % to 40 %, or alternatively composed of a styrene-acrylonitrile copolymer.

Claim 29, Line 4: Delete “(butylene terephthalate)” and insert --polybutylene terephthalate--.

Claim 30, Line 9: Delete “comonomers” and insert --comonomer--.

Claim 33, Line 1: Delete the “period” before “A”.

Between Lines 1 and 2: Delete the two “periods”.

Claim 37, Line 1: Delete “An” and insert --A--.

Claim 38, Line 1: Delete “An” and insert --A--.

Claim 39, Line 1: Delete “An” and insert --A--.

Claim 41, Line 5: After “nucleus,” insert --above 0%, but--.